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On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

TARO HODSUMI,
Manager.
Hongkong, 11th September, 1903. [21]

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Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [22]

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1902. [23]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA, LIMITED.

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Hongkong, 12th May, 1903. [24]

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H. FIGGE,
Manager.

Hongkong, 1st September, 1903. [25]

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Apply to
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [26]

HONGKONG HOTEL.

Military Band doing dinner on Saturday Nights.
Hongkong, 1st December, 1903. [27]

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1904.

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Steamers will call at GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON to land Passengers and Luggage.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

STEAMERS. SAILING DATES.
SACHSEN WEDNESDAY, 3rd February, 1904.
GERA WEDNESDAY, 17th February, 1904.

SEYDLITZ WEDNESDAY, 2nd March, 1904.
ROON WEDNESDAY, 16th March, 1904.
PREUSSEN WEDNESDAY, 30th March, 1904.

HAMBURG WEDNESDAY, 13th April, 1904.
PRINZ HEINRICH WEDNESDAY, 27th April, 1904.

* Steamers of the Hamburg-Amerika Linie.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 3rd day of February, 1904, at Noon, the Steamship "SACHSEN" of the NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD, Captain W. Franke, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at NAPLES and GENOA.

Shippers Orders will be granted till Noon, on MONDAY, the 1st February, Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 2nd February, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon, on TUESDAY, the 2nd February.

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HONGKONG, 21st January, 1904. MELCHERS & CO., AGENTS. [3]

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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [38]

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Hongkong, 23rd July, 1903. [41]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1904. [42]

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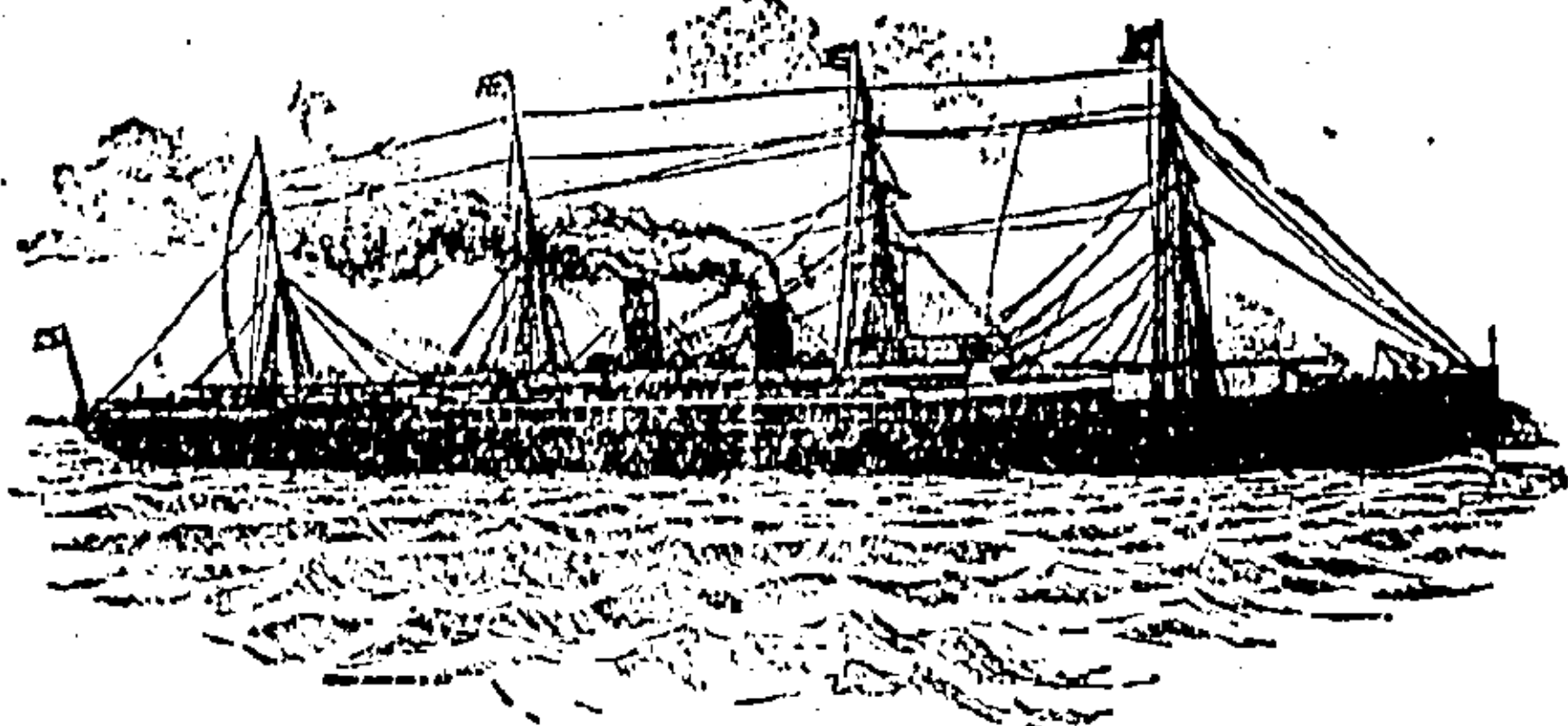
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"DORIC".....	4,784 Gross Tons.....	FRIDAY, 29th January, at Noon.
"SIBERIA".....	11,284 ".....	SATURDAY, 13th February, at Noon.
"COPTIC".....	4,352 ".....	TUESDAY, 23rd February, at Noon.
"KOREA".....	11,276 ".....	THURSDAY, 10th March, at Noon.
"GALIC".....	4,205 ".....	SATURDAY, 19th March, at Noon.
"CHINA".....	5,060 ".....	TUESDAY, 5th April, at Noon.

Record Trip Yokohama to San Francisco made by s.s. "KOREA," 11,276 tons, Oct. 18th, 28th, 1902; 10 days, 15 hours.

The O. & O. Company's Steamship "DORIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on FRIDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon, taking Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

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Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railway, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Companies' and connecting Steamers.

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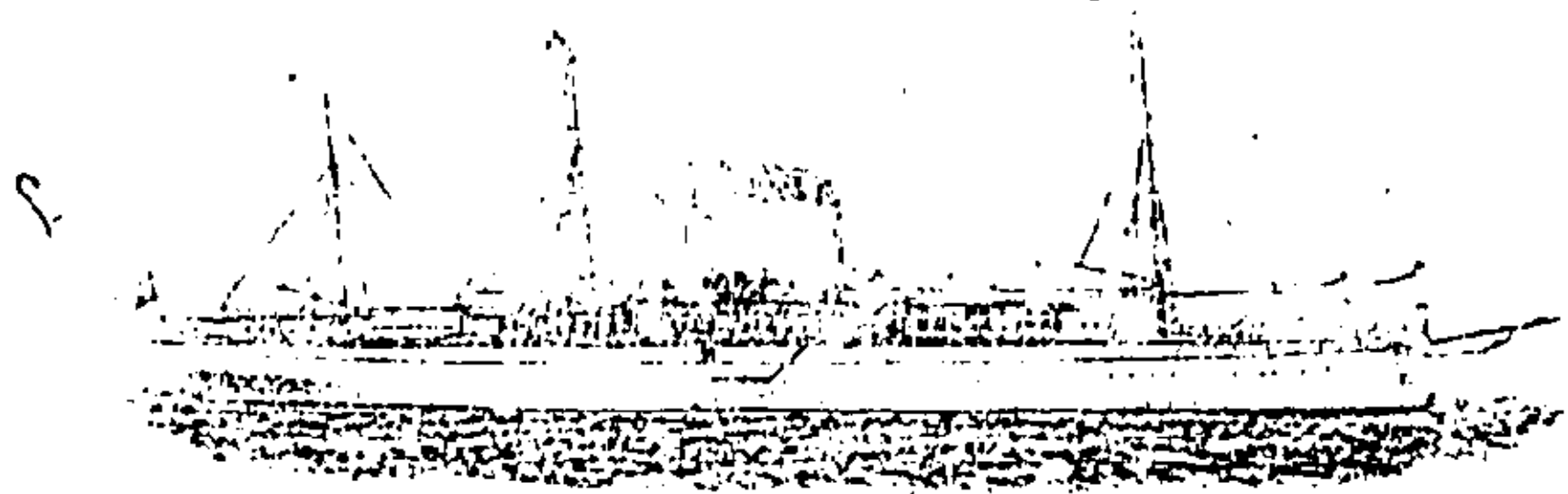
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Hongkong, 20th January, 1904.

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"TARTAR"..... 4,425 "..... WEDNESDAY, 24th February.
"EMPRESS OF JAPAN"..... 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 9th March.
"EMPRESS OF CHINA"..... 6,000 "..... WEDNESDAY, 23rd March.
"ATHENIAN"..... 3,882 "..... WEDNESDAY, 6th April.
Hongkong to London, 1st Class..... £40. Via New York £62.
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D. E. BROWN, General Agent,

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1904.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.	Freight and Passengers.
WURZBURG.....	HAVRE, BREMEN and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	29th January.	Freight and Passengers.
Alesia.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	6th Feb.	Freight.
Schnefeldt.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	27th Feb.	Freight.
C. FERD. LAEISZ.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	8th March.	Freight.
Sithonia.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and PENANG).	22nd March.	Freight.
Sambra.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).	5th April.	Freight.
Andalusia.....	HAVRE and HAMBURG. (Calling at SINGAPORE and COLOMBO).		

For further Particulars, apply to

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE, HONGKONG OFFICE, No. 1, Queen's Buildings.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

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"PU-YAN".....	3,338 ".....	G. F. Morrison, R.N.R.
"FATSHAN".....	3,280 ".....	A. W. Dixon.
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Departures from HONGKONG to CANTON daily at 8 A.M. (Sunday excepted) and at 5.30 P.M. and 9 P.M. (Saturday excepted).
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CANTON-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "LUNGSHAN".....	219 tons.....	Captain T. Hamlin.
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This steamer leaves Canton for Macao every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at about 7.30 A.M.; and leaves Macao for Canton every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at about 7.30 A.M.

JOINT SERVICE OF THE H.K. & C. AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., THE CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD., AND THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD. CANTON-WUCHOW LINE.

S.S. "SAINAN".....	588 tons.....	Captain B. Branch.
"NANNING".....	569 ".....	C. Buichart.
"TAK HING".....	618 ".....	R. D. Thomas.

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Agents, CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 25th January, 1904.

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LINE.

HEAD AGENT: R. BISSCHOP,

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REGULAR FOUR-WEEKLY SERVICE BETWEEN JAVA, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

Steamer.	From	Expected on or about	Will leave for	On or about
TJIPANAS...	JAPAN.	First half of February	SPORE, JAVA PORTS and MACASSAR.	First half of February
TJILATJAP...	JAVA PORTS via MACASSAR.	Do.	SHANGHAI and JAPAN.	Do.
TJIMAH...	Do.	Second half of February	Do.	Second half of February

The Steamers are all fitted throughout with Electric Light and have Accommodation for a limited number of Saloon Passengers, and will take Cargo to all Netherlands India Ports on through Bills of Lading.

For Particulars of Freight and Passage, apply to

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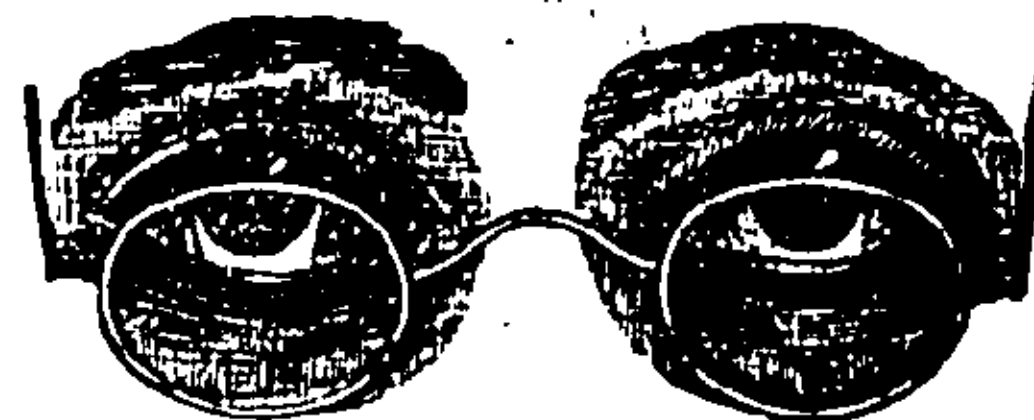
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Hongkong, 6th November, 1903.

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1903.

THE MANAGER.

Intimations.

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Length inside, 514 ft. Width of entrance, top 95 ft.; bottom 75 ft. Water on blocks, 27.5 ft. Time to pump out, 4 hours.

No. 2 DOCK.

Length inside, 375 ft. Width of entrance, top 80.5 ft.; bottom 45.8 ft. Water on blocks, 26.5 ft. Time to pump out, 2 hours.

THESE DOCKS are conveniently situated in Yokohama harbour and the attention of Captains and Engineers is respectfully called to the advantages offered for Docking and repairing Vessels and Machinery of every description.

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Telephone: Works, No. 508; General, No. 376.

Telegrams, "Dock, Yokohama," Codes A. I. and A. B. C. (4th).

Yokohama, May 11th, 1903.

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HOTEL CRAIGIEBURN,

PLUNKET'S GAP, the PEAK, near the TRAM TERMINUS, Tel. 56.

For Terms, &c., apply to the

MANAGER.

Hongkong, 2nd July, 1900.

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THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

THE TWENTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held in the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 14, Des Voeux Road, Victoria, on SATURDAY, the 6th February, 1904, at 11 A.M., for the purpose of receiving Statement of Account and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903, declaring a Dividend and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, to SATURDAY, the 6th February, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

THE HONGKONG, CANTON & MACAO STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SEVENTY-FIFTH ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 18, Bank Buildings, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the Appointment of a Director and electing Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd January to the 6th February, inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
T. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 16th January, 1904.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

FROM This Date and until after the 25th FEBRUARY next HORSES and/or PONIES not entered for the FORTHCOMING RACES will not be allowed on the RACE or TRAINING COURSE between the Hours of 6 and 8 A.M.

Members may exercise unentered Horses or Ponies after 8 A.M. on the Training Course.

By Order,
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

TENDERS will be received at the HEAD QUARTERS OFFICE, Fletcher Street, until 12 o'clock NOON, on MONDAY, 15th FEBRUARY, 1904, for the Undermentioned SUPPLIES and SERVICES, for the PERIOD of TWELVE MONTHS from 1st APRIL, 1904.

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THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1904.

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GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the Military Authorities that GUN PRACTICE will take place from Stonecutters Island (South Shore Battery) in a South-Westerly Direction at Ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards, on the 29th instant, and from Lyemun (Pak-sha-wan Battery) in the Direction of the Entrance to Junk Bay at Ranges from 600 to 2,000 yards, on the 30th instant.

If the Weather is unfavourable on either of above Dates, Practice will take place on the 1st February.
Practice will commence at 9 A.M. on the 29th instant, and at 9.30 A.M. on the 30th instant, and end at 11 A.M. Daily, if the Range is clear.

By Command,
A. M. THOMSON,
Acting Colonial Secretary.
Colonial Secretary's Office,
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Hankow, 23rd March, 1903.

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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27, 1904.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

SURGICAL instrument makers are doing a large trade with Russia and Japan at the present moment.

THE bonds of the recent Chinese 5 per cent. loan were admitted to quotation on the Paris Bourse from 19th ult.

THE fleet in harbour 'dressed ship' to-day and fired a Royal salute at noon in honour of the birthday of the Emperor of Germany.

THE Gazette announces that the King has been pleased to approve of Mr. Friedrich Krüger as Consul of Germany at Hongkong.

RUSSIA has recently ordered a large supply of minting instruments from England, while Belgian firms are privately minting coin for the Russian Government.

THE Straits Government has offered sterling salaries to their subordinate medical staff at the rate of two shillings to the dollar. The offer has generally been declined.

THE marriage of Prince Alexander of Teck with Princess Alice of Albany will be celebrated at Windsor on Feb. 10, and will be characterised by notable ceremony.

At the annual meeting of the subscribers and seatholders of St. John's Cathedral, held last evening, at St. Paul's College, E. Shop Hoare announced that Sir Paul Chater had given \$35,000 to build a church at Kowloon, and that the Government had made a free grant of land adjoining the English school and the Observatory.

SIX valuable brass cannon have been stolen from Woolwich Rotunda. One of the guns was a brass 'falcon,' made in 1661; another was a three-pounder of 1776; a third swivel one-pounder of George III's time; a fourth a two-inch gun, dated 1769; a fifth a bronze one-pounder, 1727; and a sixth a brass two-inch gun from Borneo, without date.

THE development of affairs in the Far East is naturally attracting considerable attention in naval circles at Portsmouth. Should it be found necessary to strengthen the British squadron on the China station this would be done by drawing on the Mediterranean Fleet, and the vacancies there filled by ships especially commissioned from the Reserve.

FIVE coolies were charged before Mr. Gompertz this morning with decoying and enticing away from their guardians two boys, aged respectively, twelve and thirteen. Two of the men, one of whom, So Lau, was defended by Mr. Looker of Messrs. Deacon, Looker and Deacon, were discharged. One of the remaining accused was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and the two others to three months' each, and to be exposed for six hours in the stocks.

On the 14th August last about midnight a gang of men armed with sticks and iron bars broke into a house at Yau-mat, assaulted its occupant and stole \$400 in cash and jewelry together with clothing and other objects of a value of about \$150. A Chinaman, Tse Lin, who was arrested by the police on Monday last appeared before Mr. Gompertz this afternoon charged with having taken an active part in the robbery aforementioned. Evidence was led and the case was remanded till to-morrow, when the prisoner's statement will be taken.

As a result of the French interdiction of religious orders, England, it is said, has received about 6,000 monks and nuns. Some 1,800 have gone to the United States, and about 1,100 to Canada. Monks and nuns have gone in about equal numbers to England, and the convents and monasteries have been increased by about 600 by the influx. In the diocese of Southwark alone thirty-one new missions have been opened. Throughout Great Britain forty-seven new convent schools were established last year. The exiles brought a considerable sum of money with them.

It is probable that the season of 1904 will see a new departure in county cricket. Several leading county cricketers have been approached, and unofficial meetings have been held in London and Birmingham, and all were in favour of pushing forward the proposal that, in addition to the present county championship, a new intercounty tournament, by which all beaten teams shall fall out in each round, shall be instituted. Circulars have been sent to the first-class counties requesting meetings to consider the scheme, and even if some of the richer counties do not fall in with the idea, it is believed that the support of the remainder will prevent it being dropped.

It is significant, perhaps, of the sensitive condition of markets, that speculation should already be indulged in as to the possible effect of any loan operations, which might be necessary to finance a conflict in the Far East.

MR. G. W. Palmer, M. P. for Reading, who has started on a comprehensive tour of the East Indies, China, and Japan, will feel some personal interest in what he sees on the way, especially about Borneo. Mr. Palmer's niece, the accomplished and only daughter of his brother, the member for Salisbury, is about to become the wife of a son of Sir Charles Brooke, the Rajah of Sarawak. The Rajah went home from Borneo the other day, and as he is now in his seventy-fifth year there seems to be doubt as to whether he will return to the Land of the Dyaks. It is now over sixty years since he began his career in the navy, and getting on for forty years since he succeeded his famous uncle.

It is said, with the appearance of authority, that Mr. Arnold Forster has decided on making one change in our military administration which will have far-reaching results. He has determined that appointments to staff shall be opened to the general body of officers. Practically staff appointments have up till now been confined to a privileged class, and could generally be obtained only by influence. Under the new system appointments to the staff will only be for three years, and at the expiry of that period the officer will return to his regimental duty. At present the practice is pretty much "once a staff officer always a staff officer," but now that the appointment is to be opened up a much larger number of officers will obtain experience of staff duty.

THE HONGKONG LAND RE-CLAMATION CO., LTD.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The third ordinary meeting of shareholders in this company was held at the company's office, Victoria Buildings, at 11.30 a.m. to-day. There were present:—The Hon. C. W. Dickson (chairman), Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. Ho Tung, R. C. Wilcox, E. Shellin (directors), R. K. Leigh, H. N. Mody, A. Howard, A. J. Raymond, C. H. Ross, A. S. Hooper, H. C. Wilcox, Ho Fook, Ho Kom Tong, Lo Cheung Shiu and M. S. Northcote (secretary).

The notice convening the meeting having been read,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, the report and accounts having been read, we may, I presume, take them as read. We are still necessarily passing through the period of expenditure, but I am pleased to inform you that our reclamation work at Kowloon Point continues to progress steadily and satisfactorily. During the year we added nine more houses to our property at Yau-mat and these are for the most part well let. The balance sheet now before you does not appear to call for any special comment but before moving the adoption of the accounts and report I shall be pleased to answer any questions regarding them you may wish to put.

There being no questions, the Chairman proposed, Mr. A. J. Raymond seconded, and it was agreed, that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed.

DIRECTORS.

On the proposition of Mr. H. C. Wilcox, seconded by Mr. Ho Kom Tong, the appointment of Mr. E. Shellin in place of Mr. D. M. Moses was confirmed, and on the proposition of Mr. Ho Fook seconded by Mr. Lo Cheung Shiu, Messrs. R. C. Wilcox and E. Shellin were re-elected to the Board.

AUDITORS.

Mr. Howard proposed, Mr. A. S. Hooper seconded, and it was agreed, that Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gourdin be re-elected auditors.

The Chairman:—That concludes the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your attendance.

THE REPORT.

Following is the second report of the Board of Directors presented to the meeting of shareholders:—

Gentlemen,—The directors have now to submit to you a general statement of the affairs of the company, and balance sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The accounts, including auditors' fees and \$1,180.30 preliminary expenses now written off, show a balance at debit of profit and loss of \$6,219.10, which is carried forward to new profit and loss account.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. D. M. Moses having resigned, Mr. E. Shellin has been appointed in his stead, and this appointment now requires confirmation. Messrs. R. C. Wilcox and E. Shellin now retire, and offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The accounts have been audited by Messrs. W. H. Potts and A. O'D. Gourdin, who now retire, and offer themselves for re-election.

C. W. DICKSON,
Chairman.

Hongkong, 19th January, 1904.

BALANCE SHEET TO 31ST DECEMBER, 1903.

Capital—25,000 shares at \$100 each—\$2,500,000, of which are issued 17,500 shares at \$100 each—\$1,750,000, \$75 per share paid up \$ 937,500.00
Loans payable 300,000.00
Accou. is payable 160.50
\$ 1,237,660.50

Assets.
Cash \$ 25,094
Amounts invested in property 1,008,874.77
Furniture 650.83
Accounts receivable 219,044.66
Balance of profit and loss account 6,219.10
\$ 1,237,660.50

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PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

To Charges account \$ 676.29
Crown rent account 1,894.00
Government rates account 573.01
Fire insurance account 200.10
Interest account 7,658.11
Preliminary expenses 1,180.30
Auditors' fees 100.00
\$18,311.81

By Balance from 1902 \$ 2,452.50
Rent 9,939.21
Scrip fees 1.00
Balance 6,219.10
\$18,311.81

MORRIS S. NORTHCOTE,
Secretary.

We have compared the above statement with the books, vouchers and securities of the company and have found the same to be correct.

W. HUTTON POTTS,
A. O'D. GOURDIN, } Auditors.
Hongkong, 19th January, 1904.

THE WEST POINT BUILDING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The sixteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders in the West Point Building Company, Limited, was held at the company's offices, Victoria Buildings, at 11.45 a.m. to-day, when there were present:—Sir Paul Chater (chairman), Hon. C. W. Dickson, Messrs. A. J. Raymond, A. G. Wood (directors), J. H. Lewis, J. R. Michael, J. M. Grace, R. K. Leigh, L. S. Lewis, A. G. Morris and A. S. Hooper (secretary).

The notice convening the meeting was read, and

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, with your permission we will take the report and accounts as read. The net profits for the past year were \$30,988.40 as against \$38,914.27 for 1902, the difference being principally brought about by a saving of \$3,000 in repairs, and an increase in fire insurance premium of about \$1,800. The present lease of the property expires on the 31st March, 1905, and we have received offers from other parties to lease the property for a term of six years at an increased rental. Your directors have, after consideration, decided to accept the best offer made, but have reserved the right of cancelling the new lease after two years in case the property is sold, on giving the lessee six months' notice, and we feel sure that the course we have pursued will meet with your entire approval. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be put to me.

Mr. Morris:—Do I understand you to say that for two years we cannot renew the lease?

The Chairman:—Yes. In fact, rather more than two years—two years and six months.

After the expiration of two years you have to give him six months' notice?—Yes.

That could not have been reduced, I suppose?

No. In fact the present lease is exactly on the same terms.

I think the present lease was only six months' notice.—After two years.

It is impossible to reduce?—Yes.

The Chairman then proposed that the report and accounts as presented be adopted and passed.

Mr. J. H. Lewis seconded, and the motion was carried.

DIRECTORS.

On the proposition of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Leigh, the appointment of Mr. A. G. Wood in place of Mr. C. S. Sharp was confirmed; and on the proposition of Mr. Michael, seconded by Mr. Leigh, Sir Paul Chater and Mr. A. G. Wood were re-elected to the Board.

AUDITOR.

The re-election of Mr. C. W. May as auditor was proposed by Mr. Grace, and seconded by Mr. J. H. Lewis.

Carried.

The Chairman:—That is all the business, gentlemen. Thank you for your presence.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.

The sixteenth ordinary meeting of shareholders in this Company was held at the Company's offices, Victoria Buildings, at noon to-day. There were present:—Hon. C. W. Dickson (chairman), Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Mr. J. H. Lewis, E. Shellin, A. J. Raymond, N. A. Siebs (directors), T. Arnold, G. M. Bain, W. H. Gaskell, R. K. Leigh, J. R. Michael, S. J. Michael, M. S. Northcote, W. Parlane, H. W. Slade, F. R. Smith, Ho Tung, Ho Fook, Ho Kom Tong, Lo Cheung Shiu and A. S. Hooper (secretary).

The notice convening the meeting having been read,

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, it is matter of regret to your directors that the result of the past year's working falls so far short of its immediate predecessors. The chief deficiency is in the profit derived from sales of property which amounts to only \$86,000 as compared with \$392,000 the previous year and \$275,000 in 1901. Tight money, the uncertainty as regards exchange, doubts as to the effect of local legislation, and more recently fears engendered by the political outlook have all tended to inactivity in the demand for property. The profit shown is derived from the sale of only two properties. Then again our rent roll has been disappointing. We have not at the present time houses ready for occupation which at reasonable rentals would bring in not less than \$4,000 per annum, but for which, so soon as the law dealing with the overcrowded districts of the city is enforced, there should be no difficulty in finding tenants. We are, in short, a little ahead of the times. In addition to this I would remind you that our practice is to charge to revenue each year all interest on development expenditure, so that when buildings are completed they stand in the company's books at their actual cost exclusive of interest, a policy which though it seriously affects earnings during the period of construction will, I feel sure, appeal to you as a sound one to follow. Our outlay on property is not as yet fully developed is over 17 lacs, but some of these will be completed during this year, when instead of being a drag on the Company they will yield an addition to our income. Turning to the debit side of the account you will see that our charges have not increased, but the amount expended on repairs is some \$4,600 more. The depreciations of white ants which, during 1903 were from some cause unknown unusually great more especially on the higher levels, entitled this additional expenditure in order to keep our property in first class order. Our outlay in respect of fire insurance remains about the same notwithstanding the 25 per cent. increase in rates to which I alluded at last meeting, the saving effected by ourselves carrying a portion of the insurance on our best risks, upon which we fortunately escaped any loss, more than counterbalancing the extra premium paid at the higher scale. Rates having again been reduced to their former level we have now reverted to the insuring in full of all buildings. These remarks will I trust tend to elucidate the published statement now before you. You will recollect, gentlemen, that at our annual meeting in 1901 you approved of the placing of \$500,000 to equalization of dividend fund with the object of ensuring steady return on your investment for some time to come, and having regard to that understanding your directors recognize that it is incumbent on them to maintain the dividend at 12 per cent. with the assistance of a portion of that fund, hence the transfer therefrom of \$250,000 which will start the current year with a balance in hand of an amount approximating that carried forward to 1903. They trust that in the near future conditions will so change as to admit of their showing a larger sum at credit under the heading of profit on sales of property as well as of rents, and are hopeful that if they again have to encroach upon equalization of dividend fund in order to maintain the return to you it will not be necessary to do so to the same extent. In connection with the scheme for the improvement of the Eastern district to which I alluded last year, progress has unfortunately been delayed by difficulties raised in unexpected quarters, but the carrying out of the project has, we understand, not by any means been abandoned. The sooner a start is made with the work the better will it be for the Colony. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions that may be asked.

There being no questions, the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. R. K. Leigh said:—You have just heard the remarks made by our Chairman. The year has certainly been a bad one, the chief deficiency in profits being owing to the few sales of property, but land and houses are very secure and do not run away, so that if they have not been sold during the past year, the company still possesses them, and, I believe, I am right in saying that, until a sale is actually completed, the property remains in the company's books at its cost price, so that when good times come again, as they must do, the company can then realise the profits on the properties it has been developing during the bad time. The chief cause for the present stagnation in property, as pointed out by our Chairman, are tight money, the uncertainty of exchange, and local legislation. I will not attempt to say anything regarding the first two of these, as they are better known and understood by all of you than they are by myself. But as regards the third, I know and feel how seriously this has been, and is, acting to the detriment of property, more especially amongst the Chinese who, it must be understood, hold nine-tenths of the property in this Colony, and who do not fully understand, and, therefore, mistrust, and rightly so, new legislation regarding property. When the present Public Health and Buildings Ordinance was passed on the 21st February last, and was the outcome of several previous ordinances, which were brought forward and withdrawn, it was hoped by all interested in property that we had at last arrived at some finality, and that the constant alterations in the law which had been taking place ever since Ordinance 15 of 1889, would now cease. Such, unfortunately, is not the case, and on the 20th November last the Government Gazette contained over six pages of amendments, and I understand, a great number more are under consideration. While such constant changes continue, property must remain insecure and cannot hold, as it should do, the first place as an investment. As regards the property held by the company and at present unlet, this will, we must all hope, soon right itself. It is a state of things which has never happened here before; for the Colony has always suffered from a lack of house accommodation, especially for the Chinese, but to-day there is no doubt a large number of unoccupied Chinese houses both in Hongkong and Kowloon. It is the old question which has taxed all the large cities of the world and that is, how to let the inhabitants, especially the working classes, to leave the central and overcrowded districts and live farther afield. The wisdom of having an equalization of dividend fund is now amply shown, and we must congratulate ourselves in having such a fund, and look forward to the good years when we shall be able to replenish that fund. I beg to add the adoption of the report and accounts. (Applause).

The motion was put to the meeting and carried.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. Bain proposed, Mr. R. C. Wilcox seconded, and it was agreed that the appointment of Mr. E. Shellin be confirmed.

On the proposition of Mr. Gaskell, seconded by Mr. Ho Tung, Messrs. A. J. Raymond and J. H. Lewis were re-elected to the Board.

AUDITORS.

Messrs. T. Arnold and C. W. May were, on the proposition of Mr. Slade, seconded by Mr. R. K. Leigh, re-elected auditors.

The Chairman:—That gentlemen, concludes the business. I am obliged to you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready to-morrow.

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TURF TOPICS.

Favoured with a continuance of the delightful weather Hongkong is now experiencing, the turn-out at the Race Course this morning is quite up to the average. If anything, the fair personages that lend grace and charm to the bi-weekly morning meetings, were present even in larger number to-day. Much is added to the social feature of the gatherings by the ladies whose example stimulates pleasant emulation on the part of others. At a very early hour Mrs. Goetz appeared, other familiar faces noted were Mesdames Dickson, Hinds, Master and Tooker.

The condition of the course, relatively speaking in point of time, makes the outer track slower going by from three to four seconds than the inside course.

Appended are the "times" recorded to-day:—

WALERS.

Remnant and Ichiban—1 mile (o)—32½, (2), 1:38, 2:10.

CHINA PONIES.

Algerine—1 mile (o)—41, 1:19, 1:54, 2:27.

Discord—1 mile (o)—last half 35, 1:09.

Muscatel—1 mile (o)—36, 1:15, 1:50, 2:25½.

Pandur—1 mile (o)—35½, 1:10, 1:45, 2:20.

Rare Rose—1½ mile (o)—last mile 24, 1:08, 1:44, 2:16.

Dandy (i)—last 2 mile 36, 1:11, 1:43.

La France Rose—1½ mile (i)—last mile 32, 1:06, 1:40, 2:12½.

Fun and Provost—1 mile (o)—34½, 1:09½, 1:42½, 2:23½.

Rebel King—1 mile (o)—last 2 mile 36, 1:10½, 1:46.

Manila and Emigrant—1 mile (o)—35½, 1:07½, 1:46, 2:22½. Mr. Apar's pony beating his companion on the finish.

Mr. Wheeler's Protection—1½ mile—last half 35, 1:08.

Aladdin and Starling—1½ mile (o)—36, 1:12, 1:46½, 2:23½, 2:56.

Vancouver—1 mile (o)—40, 1:16, 1:51, 2:24½; going steadily.

Set's time was missed.

Lord Algy and Bonzoline; 34, 1:11, 1:48, 2:22.

Mr. Gray's "No. 64" skw.—1 mile (i)—last 2, 35, 1:08, 1:42½.

Mr. Mody's "No. 6"—1 mile (o)—35, 1:09, 1:45, 2:20½.

Major Radcliff's Arranapogue, Mr. Macdonald's The Elder and a gray "Aub."—1 mile (o)—36½, 1:11½, 1:45, 2:22½. The Major's pony led the trio at the finish.

Rockel—1 mile (o)—37, 1:10, 1:44½, 2:19.

To-day's time establishes it beyond a doubt that this pony's reported remarkable performance of 2:45 for 1½ mile on Saturday last must have been an error.

Persistence and Good-bye—1 mile (o)—2:29½.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuters.)

Release of Col. Lynch.

LONDON, 25th January.
Col. Lynch has been released on license. The *Daily Telegraph* says it is understood that the King intervened on his behalf in recognition of the demonstrations he received on his visit to Ireland.

Russia and Japan.

It is not expected in St. Petersburg that a reply will be presented to Japan for some days.

Korean Neutrality.

Reuters Agency at Seoul wires that the Korean Minister in St. Petersburg has telegraphed that Russia does not approve of Korea's declaration of neutrality.

Disastrous Fire in Norway.

The town of Alesund in Norway has been almost completely destroyed by fire; the population of 12,000 are homeless and owing to the severity of the weather, their condition is terrible. Two German Atlantic liners have gone to afford relief and shelter.

LATER.

Another Cabinet Council.

Another meeting of the Cabinet Council was held yesterday which lasted nearly four hours.

The Damaraland Expedition.

The news from Damaraland is grave. Several attempts to relieve Okahandja have been repulsed with heavy loss. Five settlers with their wives and children have been murdered.

(Far Eastern Press Association.)

Disastrous Explosion.

Johnstown, Penn., 22nd January.
Twelve persons have been killed and several others injured here by a boiler explosion which wrecked the entire plant in which the machinery was located.

No figures as to the damage have been given out yet.

Fire broke out immediately after the explosion, but the flames were quickly extinguished by the heroic efforts of the firemen, and before the smoking, steaming ruins had even partially cooled they were plowing through them looking for the agonizing burdens under which they soon staggered out into the air, to be greeted by the women and children of the unfortunates who had met their death.

The scene was heart-rending. All the bodies have been recovered.

Hackmen on Strike.

St. Louis, 22nd January.
All of the hackmen of this city are on a strike and those who have their own vehicles are threatened with violence if they continue in the carrying trade as long as the strike lasts.

At least 5,000 hackmen are idle and the business of the livery stables is crippled.

Pure Food Bill.

Washington, 22nd January.
Representative Hepburn's pure food bill, for which there has been considerable agitation for some time past, has been voted upon and passed by the House.

It now comes before the Senate for consideration.

Herrmann's Trial.

Cagayan, de Misamis, 22nd January.
The demurrer in ex-lieutenant Herrmann's cases has been overruled and a new complaint filed embracing the charge of piracy. To this new count the defendant immediately demurred.

The complaint is said to be very badly drawn and Herrmann's behaviour and attitude is full of braggadochio. He regards himself as a hero, and is proud of his long list of crimes. He has announced the belief that he will be acquitted, as the evidence is not strong enough for any court to convict him, he says.

Herrmann has pleaded guilty to the charge of desertion, and as a result of the first trial, Lieutenant Fortich, of the constabulary, has been charged with perjury and is to be arrested to-morrow.

THE FLEET.

A new crew is to come out from home to recommission the battleship *Glory*.

At Portsmouth on 22nd ult. the cruiser *King Alfred* hoisted her pennant to take out the *Glory's* new crew and a crew for the river steamer *Kinsla*.

The presence of the *King Alfred* will add a fine cruiser to the British naval strength in the Far East, as she can be retained on the station if wanted.

FREAR'S FRIVOLITIES.

This world-famous entertainment will be presented on Saturday and Monday next at the Theatre Royal instead of Thursday as previously announced. Freear made a great success in Hongkong to years ago, when he appeared to crowded houses, since then he has tickled the risibilities of numerous Kings and Potentates in every corner of the globe, amongst them King Edward VII., The King of Siam, The Sultan of Turkey who presented him with the medal of Fine Arts which is on view with his credentials at Robinson Piano Co. The elite of the city will be in evidence on Saturday evening, and Freear should be equally successful on this his second visit. His entertainment is pure and wholesome "Fun without Vulgarity," and he guarantees to keep his audience in roars of laughter for over two hours.

REPORTED LOSS OF A TRANSPORT.

WITH ALL HANDS.

A report was freely circulated among the shipping fraternity this morning to the effect that a well-known steamer had foundered with all hands after being in collision in the China Sea between Hongkong and the Philippines. We have been unable to verify the rumour, but are given to understand that a cable was received in the Colony to the effect that the American despatch boat, *Zafiro*, which has recently been used in the transport service, was run into by a French steamer some ninety miles from Manila. It is believed that she was returning to Manila from a voyage to the north whither she was recently dispatched to land marines at Seoul.

The *Zafiro*, which is a vessel of 1,200 tons, and is in charge of Capt. Whitton, was acquired by the American Government from Messrs. Sheehan, Tones & Co. on the outbreak of hostilities between the United States and the Spaniards. She is generally engaged in plying in the waters of the Philippine Islands.

SANITARY BOARD.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board to-morrow the following matters are among those to be brought forward:

Reply from Government to the Board's recommendation regarding the resumption of the Gough Street latrine.

Minute by the Acting Medical Officer of Health relative to Section 153 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

The President, pursuant to notice, will move:

That the Board, under the provisions of Section 30 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute Inspector S. M. Gidley to institute summary proceedings before a magistrate against any person contravening any of the bye-laws made under section 16 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, when so directed in writing by the Acting Medical Officer of Health.

That the Board, under the provisions of Section 256 of the Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903, depute Inspector S. M. Gidley to institute summary proceedings before a magistrate for recovery of any penalty imposed by part II of the said Ordinance or any bye-law made thereunder, when so directed in writing by the Acting Medical Officer of Health.

Letter from the Sanitary Surveyor recommending that Inspector R. Duncan be deputed by the Board to institute summary proceedings and to recover penalties.

Colonel W. S. Webb, R.A.M.C., pursuant to notice, will move:

That the Board recommend the Government to take the necessary steps to improve the sanitary condition (up to the military boundary) of the road leading from Hill Street to Lower Belcher Fort, and to supply adequate latrine accommodation for the Chinese in this part.

Plan of a public latrine to be erected on the west side of the Bowington Canal.

THE WIRE RIGGING CASE.

JUDGMENT FOR DEFENDANTS.

At the Supreme Court this morning the Puisne Judge, Mr. A. G. Wise, delivered judgment in the case brought by Messrs. A. Ross & Co., of 4, Des Voeux Road against the Ching Hop firm, of Wing Lok Street to recover the sum of \$108.11 in respect of the loss on re-sale of a quantity of wire rigging, of which defendants refused delivery. The case was first on for hearing at the Supreme Court on 14th inst., when Mr. E. A. Bonner, of Messrs. Dennys and Bowley, appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. J. Hastings for the defendants. It was then adjourned in order that Mr. Thomson might be in attendance and give evidence. Mr. Bonner explained this morning that Mr. Thomson was still indisposed, and

His Lordship said he would have to give judgment which he proceeded to do in favour of the defendant with costs. He pointed out that plaintiffs had failed to carry out their contract as they ought to have delivered the 50 tons of wire rigging at a certain time, and as a matter of fact only offered 20 tons. Therefore defendants were perfectly justified in cancelling the contract.

THE CHINESE ENGINEERING AND MINING CO.

It is somewhat difficult at this distance and with the rather meagre information brought over the wires, to know exactly what is the underlying cause of the secret Edict relating to Chang-Yen-mao, the Kaping mines and the port of Ching-wan-tao. It may be politics, or it may be connected with the method adopted on the matter of the transfer to the present Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, which has never been explained to the satisfaction of many people. We are variously told that Chang-yi, the director of Northern Railways, is threatened with disgrace and punishment in the event of his failure to regain possession of the mines within two months. If it is possible to prove any illegality in the deed of sale, and the Chinese could recover control of the mines, Ching-wan-tao would immediately be acquired by the Russians, who are striving every effort to obtain possession. It is added that Hu Yu-mei, Director of Railways, has been lately in close consultation with the Russians at Port Arthur and Moukden, concerning the railway beyond the Great Wall, but this had reference to an extension beyond the Liao river. The edict adds that Ching-wan-tao was opened by China through officials appointed by the former Viceroy, and that there is consequently no reason why the place should be the property of the mining company and sold to others at its discretion. This is a point that has been transmitted, and whilst we must admit the importance of the port in winter as a means of communication from the south for Peking and Tientsin, it is, as we have said, very difficult to discern whether politics or the circumstances of the transfer to the present company under duress in 1900, or both, is the cause of the present action by the Chinese Government. It may be taken as essential, whatever the cause, that a port to the westward of the Great Wall should not fall into Russian hands.—*L. & C. Express*.

NORTHERN NOTES.

The last two Volunteer Fleet cruisers which left Odessa for the Far East carried between them 52 naval guns of various calibres and 18 quick-firing ordnance for the Russian Pacific Squadron. Although such warlike consignments are entered on the ships' manifests as different kinds of general cargo, the Turkish authorities are perfectly well aware of the nature of the material passing through the Bosphorus and Dardanelles. When specially picked troops are embarked from the Black Sea for the Far East they are invariably described on the ship's papers and bill of lading as 'young recruits.'

LIGHTHOUSES.

The Korean Government is busily engaged in erecting lighthouses in all the harbours, and at all points of the coast accessible to shipping. Thus, the Bay of Chemulpo is lighted already by four lighthouses built and fitted out on the latest system at a cost of one million yen, and 40 lighthouses are being built at other points. One English and two Japanese engineers are engaged in this work, and the work, and also the general superintendence of the lighthouses, have been entrusted to Mr. MacLeavy Brown, who is in charge of the Korean Customs.

FINANCIAL.

In the present critical position of affairs in the Far East, it is of especial interest to learn that telegrams which have been received in prominent City quarters from Paris show that inquiries have been made in the French capital as to the possibility of raising a new Russian loan of from £20,000,000 to £25,000,000. It is understood that similar inquiries have been addressed by the Russian authorities to New York, with the express desire that the matter should be kept strictly secret, but, owing to the general situation in Russia and the Far East, it is very doubtful if financial houses will entertain a loan on any terms just now.

TRADE AFFECTED.

At the London branch of the Yokohama Specie Bank one of the officials said recently to an interviewer:

"Although we have no definite news one way or the other, we have every hope of peace. So far trade has not been affected, but people are beginning to hold back. The rumours so far have not influenced our business."

The manager of Messrs. Okura and Company, one of the chief Japanese firms in the City, said:

"There is nothing in our advice to lead us to believe that there will be war. Steamers are leaving England as usual for Korea. Business telegrams received to-day are of a nature which would be unlikely if war were regarded as imminent."

The manager of another important Japanese firm said:

"I have no news whatever indicating the likelihood of war, and, although some of those in my employ would be the first to be summoned to Japan, I have not heard of anyone who has been told to hold himself in readiness to return to the Far East."

At the London offices of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha the view was expressed that there would be no war.

The prevalence of certain rumours was affecting trade by reducing the amount of shipments to Japan. It was, however, a significant fact that not a word about the possibility of war had been heard from the headquarters of the company at Tokio, and that no intimation had been received that any of their subsidised steamers had been requisitioned by the Government. One of the events of hostilities would be the requisitioning of some of their fleet. As a matter of fact all their steamers were following their usual programme.

At the offices of Sir Marcus Samuel and Company the view was expressed that while the situation was undoubtedly critical, yet there was reasonable hope of a settlement.

Several agents in London of wholesale tea and silk houses in Japan have received instructions not to book orders from customers until further notice.

This is taken as intimating that the fear of war breaking out is serious.

THE PHILIPPINE CURRENCY

AND THE LOCAL BANKS.

EXPERT CRITICISMS.

In continuation of the article printed in our issue of yesterday on this subject we reproduce from the *Cebu News*, of the 22nd inst., the following interesting criticisms on the Philippine Currency legislation by the respective managers of the local banks.

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Manila, 20th January, 1904.

The Honourable Members of the Philippine Commission.

Gentlemen,—With regard to the legislation that it is proposed to bring into force for the purpose of making general the use of Conant \$ in lieu of the present local currency; that is Mexican \$, Spanish dollars, and half dollars, I consider that as the currency question primarily and almost exclusively affects the inhabitants of the Philippines the most simple form of eliminating the present local currency from circulation would be for Government to offer to change it into Conants at par which is but a natural amplification of the Bill passed 14th January making the importation of Mexican and other silver coins not on a Gold basis illegal. The coins so interchanged could be recoined into Conants as is at present being done with the Spanish dollars and half dollars collected by the Treasury.

I do not consider that an earlier date than 31st December, 1904, should be fixed as a limit of time for the conversion having in view the general conditions of the Philippines, the slow and deficient means of transport, the inaccessibility of the more remote provinces, and the fact that, with the exception of Cebu and Iloilo, there are no Banks in the Provinces. For these reasons any hasty legislation would inflict marked injustice on those who for unavoidable

causes are not in a position to change their local currency into Conants with the same facility as those resident in and near the principal towns.

Generally speaking, there has been no great reluctance shown by the community to use Conants where practicable as may be seen from the Press in which numerous notices state that only Conants will be accepted for articles purchased, and the Banks as far as practicable conducted operations on a Conant basis. The chief difficulty that presents itself in dealing with the provinces and as mentioned above I consider that ample time should be accorded to the Provincial Government to enable them to comply with the new currency legislation. In any case this will be a difficult operation and the probability is that the poorer and labouring classes will be made the victims of exploitation under the pretence of the enforcement of Government decrees whilst the richer and more favourably situated have had abundant time and opportunity to study the situation and avail themselves of the most favourable occasion for transferring their local currency balances to the new basis.

It may be contended that Government is under no obligation to redeem Mexican \$ in the Islands but when it is considered that Mexican \$, Spanish \$, and half dollars have been the circulating medium for many years and as the quantity of Spanish dollars and half dollars would have proved quite inadequate in the past to meet the demands of trade and further that the importation of Mexican \$ was illegal up to 1877 and later on in 1897 the Spanish Government permitted, under certain restrictions, the importation of Mexican \$ from pure necessity, it would seem that the calling in of Spanish dollars and half dollars and the discarding of Mexican that have pari passu discharged the functions of a circulating medium, unjustified.

It should be borne in mind that the withdrawal for export of a large amount of Mexican \$ from circulation will cause a corresponding displacement in the currency available for the requirements of the country for which Government would not doubt make the necessary provision. A rise in the price of bar silver to 29 1-4 per ounce would make it profitable to export the Conant \$. In last October silver was quoted as high as 28 1-2 and although the probability of an advance to 29 1-4 may be very remote, the possibility thereof still remains.

Respectfully,

R. W. BROWN.

(To be continued.)

COMMERCIAL.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

Selling.

London—Bank T.T.	109 1/2
Do. demand	109 11/16
Do. 4 months sight	109 15/16
France—Bank T.T.	226 1/2
Germany—Bank T.T.	184 1/2
India—Bank T.T.	133 1/2
Shanghai—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Japan—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Singapore—Bank T.T.	Nominal
Java—Bank T.T.	108 1/2

Buying.

4 months sight L/C	110 1/16
6 months sight L/C	110 3/16
30 days sight San Francisco & New York	44 1/2
4 months sight do.	45 1/2
30 days sight Sydney and Melbourne	51 1/2
4 months sight France	230 1/2
6 months sight do.	231 1/2
4 months sight Germany	184 1/2
Bar Silver	253 1/2
Bank of England rate	4 1/2

OPUM QUOTATIONS.

Malwa New	Per chest
1st Year	900/920
2nd Year	950/970
3rd Year	1,000/1,050
4th Year	1,305
5th Year	1,305
Persian (Paper)	920/950

To-day's Advertisements.

EOTHEN MARK LODGE, No. 264.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held at the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 27th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend. Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [150]

NOTICE.

THE COLONIAL COUNCIL OF COCHIN-CHINA has decided that in future the FEE for PASSPORTS delivered to the Chinese at the time of their Departure from that Colony will be of \$5.00 only instead of \$15.00 as hitherto provided they have stayed less than One year in Cochin-China.

CONSULAT DE FRANCE

HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 26th January, 1904. [175]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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Captain Gibson, will be despatched for the above Port, on FRIDAY, the 29th instant, at 4 P.M.

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [179]

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N.B.—Seas secured for Thursday will be exchanged for Saturday or Monday, or money returned. M. M. REHEMANJEE'S celebrated BIOSCOPE will be shown in the interval.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [173]

S.S. "YARRA."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex *s.s. Midco and Orreaga*, and from Bordeaux ex *s.s. Ville de Lorient*, in connection with above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risks into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Limited, at Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon, TO-DAY, the 27th instant, requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges. All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 3rd February, or they will not be recognised.

All damaged packages will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 3rd February, at 3 P.M. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [19]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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Goods not cleared by the 2nd February, at 4 P.M., will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's representative at an appointed hour.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

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E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [14]

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Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [178]

To-day's Advertisements.

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NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON STEAM LAUNCH COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held at the Office of Messrs. EWENS and HARTON, Solicitors, No. 36, Queen's Road Central, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 11th day of February, 1904, at 4 o'clock P.M., when the subjoined Resolution will be proposed.

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OUTWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	DATE
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PINGSUEY"	On 26th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MOYUNE"	On 28th January.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"GLAUCUS"	On 30th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"PAKLING"	On 12th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"IDOMENEUS"	On 20th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"AGAMENON"	On 22nd February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MELEAUS"	On 27th February.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"RHIPEUS"	On 4th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"MACHAON"	On 5th March.
GLASGOW and LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 12th March.

S.S. "PINGSUEY" left Singapore 20th inst. and is expected here 26th inst.
S.S. "MOYUNE" left Singapore 22nd inst. a.m. and is due here 28th inst.

HOMEWARDS.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM and LONDON	"DIOMED"	On 2nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"NESTOR"	On 5th February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"KINTUCK"	On 16th February.
*GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"KEEMUN"	On 22nd February.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"MOYUNE"	On 1st March.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"GLAUCUS"	On 15th March.
*GENOA, MARSEILLES & L'POOL	"AJAX"	On 20th March.
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CEBU	"HUNAN"	29th "
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Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
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REDUCTION IN PASSAGE RATES,
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38 1/8 per cent.ALSO REDUCED FARES TO
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Hongkong, 2nd January, 1904. [104]

STEAM TO CANTON.

THE Splendid New Steel Twin Screw
Steamer

"KWONG CHOW,"

1,474 Tons, Captain Walker, leaves HONG-
KONG for CANTON at 8.30 P.M. on SUNDAYS,
TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS, returning
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The Company's Wharf is West of the Hong-
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SHIU ON S.S. CO., LTD.,

No. 8, Queen's Road West.
Hongkong, 30th May, 1903. [H]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI,"

Captain SAMUEL BELL SMITH.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on Week
Days, at 7.30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays,
at 8.30 A.M.; from Macao, Week Days at about
2 P.M. and Sundays about 7.30 P.M.
FARE.—(Week Days) 1st Class (including
cabin and servant), \$5; Return Ticket, \$5.
2nd Class, \$3; 3rd Class, 50 cents.
On Excursion Sundays, 1st, 2nd, 3rd Class
Single Ticket, \$2; Return Ticket, \$3. Return
Ticket including Tiffin and Dinner either on
Board or at Macao Hotel, \$5. On Sundays,
\$5 extra will be charged for each cabin with
accommodations for two or more passengers.
WHARF.—At the Western end of Wing Lok
Street.The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip EVERY
SUNDAY. It takes only 3½ hours to reach
Macao.

MING ON & CO.,

2nd Floor, No. 16, Victoria Street.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [16]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND FOCHOW.
THE Company's Steamship

"HAITAN,"

Captain Roach, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 28th instant,
at Daylight.For Freight or Passage apply to
DOUGLAS, LAIRDAK & CO.,
General Managers

Hongkong, 27th January, 1904. [170]

CHINA COMMERCIAL STEAMSHIP
COMPANY, LIMITED.

司公限有船輪華中

FOR MOJI, SALINA CRUZ MEXICO
AND PORTLAND OREGON.

THE Steamship

Captain J. C. Williamson, will be despatched for the
above Ports, on SATURDAY, the 30th
instant, at Daylight.
For Freight, apply at the Company's Offices,
No. 20, Des Vaux Road.J. S. VAN BUREN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1904. [17]

"SHIRE" LINE.

FOR HAVRE, LONDON, ANTWERP
AND HAMBURG.

THE Company's Steamship

"RADNORSHIRE,"
Captain C. H. Burch, on or about SATUR-
DAY, the 30th January, 1904.
These Steamers have Superior Accommoda-
tion for Passengers.For Freight or Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 5th January, 1904. [111]

"GLEN" LINE OF STEAMSHIPS.

FOR LONDON.

THE Steamship

"GLENLOCHY,"
Captain Stallard, will be despatched as above
on TUESDAY, the 2nd February, 1904.
For Freight, apply to
MCGREGOR BROS. & GOW,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th January, 1904. [141]

To be Let.

TO LET.

FIRST and SECOND FLOORS of No. 34,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, opposite the
GENERAL POST OFFICE, after MARCH 31st,
1904, at present occupied by Messrs. POWELL
& CO. and the COSMOPOLITAN HOUSE. This
House is especially suitable for people who are
seeking places for Hotel purposes.

Please apply to—

YEE SANG FAT,

at the above Address.

Hongkong, 29th December, 1903. [1563]

MEE CHEUNG,

PHOTOGRAPHER,
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN
Ice House Road.IS now in a position, in his New and Com-
modious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore,
ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICES
in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS

Hongkong, 23rd January, 1904.

Entertainment.

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Erected and kept in order.Estimates given for all kinds of Electrical
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For full Particulars, &c., &c., Apply to

W. STUART HARRISON,

A.M. INST. C.E.,

Manager

Hongkong, 2nd April, 1903. [61]

HONGKONG AVERAGE MARKET
PRICES.

Corrected 23rd January, 1904, per 5 Mds.

BUTCHER MEAT.

	Cents.
Beef sirloin & prime cut—Mei Lung Pa	17
" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk	17
" Roast—Shiu	17
" Breast—Ngau Lam	13
" Soup, Tong Yuk	13
" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa	17
" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chung	16
" Nullock's Brains—Know, per set	8
" Tongue fresh—Ngau Li, each	45
" Corned—Ham Ngau Li, each	55
" Head—Ngau Tau	5
" Heart—Ngau Sum	5
" Liver—Ngau Kin	13
" Feet—Ngau Kin	13
" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu	10
" Tail—Ngau Mei	10
" Liver—Ngau Con	9
" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To	5
" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai- tau-keek, set	75
" Mutton Chop—Yeung Fai Kw	24
" Leg—Yeung Poi	24
" Shoulder—Yeung Shau	22
" Pig's Chittlings—Chi cheong	7
" Brains—Chi Know, per set	2
" Feet—Chi Kerk	12
" Fry—Chi Chak	12
" Head—Chi Tau	13
" Heart—Chi Sum	9
" Kidneys—Chi Yiu	10
" Liver—Chi Kon	24
" Pork Chop—Chi Pui Kwai	18
" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk	18
" Leg—Chu Pui	22
" Fat or Lard—Chu Yau	18
" Sheep's Head and Feet—Yeung Tau	18
" Keok	55
" Heart—Yeung Sum	6
" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu	6
" Liver—Yeung Con	20
" Sucking Pig to Order—Chu Chai	17
" Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	17
" Mutton—Sang Ngau Yau	20
" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk	18
" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong	15

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kai Chai	25
Capon, Large, Small—Sin Kai	30
Ducks—Ap	30
Doves—Pan Kau	15
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	20
Fowls, Canton—Kai	30
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	30
Geese—Ngai	22
Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheung Hoi Ye	22
Ngo	30
Musk Deer—Wong Keng	30
Hare—Tu Chai	60
Partridge—Che Khoo	55
Pheasant—Shan Kai	140
Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kip	20
" Hainan—Hoi Nam Kai	20
Quail—Um Chus	10
Rice Birds—Wo Yu Chai	10

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL
SIGNALS.

A NEW CODE.

We have received from the Hongkong
Observatory a new code of meteorological
signals which comes into force at Hongkong
on New Year's Day. They are the same as
those at present in use at Shanghai, and will
be hoisted on the mast beside the time-ball at
Kowloon Point for the information of mariners
of vessels leaving the port. They do not neces-
sarily imply that bad weather is expected. The
signals are as follows:—A cone point upwards indicates a typhoon to
the North of the Colony.A cone point upwards and drum below in-
dicates a typhoon to the North-East of the
Colony.A drum indicates a typhoon to the East of
the Colony.A cone point downwards and drum below
indicates a typhoon to the South-East of the
Colony.A cone point downwards indicates a typhoon
to the South of the Colony.A cone point downwards and ball below
indicates a typhoon to the South-West of the
Colony.A ball indicates a typhoon to the West of
the Colony.A cone point upwards and ball below indicates
a typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.Red Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be more than 300 miles away from
the Colony.Black Signals indicate that the centre is
believed to be less than 300 miles away from
the Colony.The above signals will, as heretofore, be
hoisted only when typhoons exist in such posi-
tions or are moving in such directions that in-
formation regarding them is considered to be of
importance to the Colony or to shipping leav-
ing the harbour.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

Two lanterns hoisted vertically indicate bad
weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to veer.Two lanterns hoisted horizontally indicate
bad weather in the Colony and that the wind is
expected to back.The signals are repeated on the flagstaff of
the Godown Company at Kowloon, and also,
by day only, at the Harbour Office and on the
M's Receiving Ship.

LOCAL STORM-WARNINGS.

The Colony itself is warned of approaching
typhoons by means of the Typhoon Gun placed
at the foot of the mast, which is fired whenever
a strong gale of wind is expected to blow here.

NOTICE BOARDS.

Notice boards are placed at:—

Joint Cable Companies' Office,

Ferry Company's Pier, Ice House Street,

Blake Pier.

Post Office,

Harbour Office,

Ferry Company's Pier, Kowloon.

WEATHER-FORECASTS and STORM

WARNINGS are exhibited on the above boards
daily about 11 a.m., and also at other hours,
day or night, whenever necessary. Informa-
tion of importance is also issued by "Express."

THE CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL

REGISTER is exhibited at the same places daily
about noon. It contains observations made at
Hongkong and at a number of stations in the
Far East, together with Remarks, Weatherforecasts, and information regarding the exist-
ence and movements of typhoons based thereon.

SPECIAL INQUIRIES.

Masters of vessels or their agents may,
whenever necessary, call at the TelegraphCompany's Office in Connaught Road and
send telegrams to the Observatory asking for
special information without charge. Suchinquiries may also be sent from the Police
Station at Kowloon Point which is connected
with the Observatory by telephone.

THE LAW OF STORMS.

Further information concerning the weather
to be expected while signals are hoisted, and
sailing directions, are given in "The Law of

Storms in the Eastern Sea."

F. C. P. G.

Acting Director.

Hongkong Observatory, 23rd January, 1904.

Shipping.

Arrivals.
 Amara, Br. s.s., 1566, Matlock, 26th Jan.,
 Mei 21st Jan., Conl.—J. M. & Co.
 Yarra, Fr. s.s., 4256, Seller, 27th Jan.,
 Marseilles 27th Dec., and Saigon 23rd Jan.,
 Mails and Gen.—M. M.
 Haimun, Br. s.s., 636, Passmore, 27th Jan.,
 Tamsui 24th Jan., Amoy 25th, and Swatow
 26th, Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Socotra, Br. s.s., 6008, Benton, R.N.R., 27th
 Jan., Antwerp via London 12th Dec.,
 and Singapore 19th Jan., Gen.—P. & O. S.
 N. Co.
 Hunan, Br. s.s., 1143, Frazier, 27th Jan.,
 Canton 26th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.
 Seachuen, Br. s.s., 1140, Sidford, 27th Jan.,
 Canton 26th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.
 Mathilde, Ger. s.s., 678, Ulderop, 27th Jan.,
 Canton 26th Jan., Gen.—J. & Co.
 Borneo, Ger. s.s., 1344, Muhle, 27th Jan.,
 Sandakan 21st Jan., Gen. and Timber—
 M. & Co.
 Hinsang, Br. s.s., 1536, Sawyer, 27th Jan.,
 Java 17th Jan., Sugar.—J. M. & Co.
 Meefoo, Ch. s.s., 1321, Whitelow, 27th Jan.,
 Shanghai 24th Jan., Gen.—C. M. S. N. Co.
 Telemachus, Br. s.s., 1380, Williamson, 27th
 Jan., Saigon 23rd Jan., Gen.—Nam Wo
 & Co.

Clearances at the Harbour Office.

Germania, for Sourabaya.
 Daiya Maru, for Kobe.
 Athenian, for Shanghai.
 Kuangyang, for Swatow.
 Ying King, for Canton.
 Haitan, for Hoihow.
 Saechuen, for Shanghai.
 Yuensang, for Manila.
 Rein, for Bangkok.
 Mathilde, for Quinhon.
 Lightning, for Singapore.
 Wenchui, for Macao.
 Dorothea-Rickmers, for Swatow.
 Hotching, for Kwong-chow-wah.

Departures.

Jan. 27.
 Athenian, for Vancouver.
 Maiduru Maru, for Anping.
 Clara Jensen, for Hoihow.
 Whangfo, for Canton.
 Yarra, for Shanghai, &c.
 Lightning, for Calcutta.
 Yuensang, for Manila.
 Haitan, for Hoihow.
 Daiya Maru, for Moji.
 Hangchow, for Shanghai.
 Germania, for Sourabaya.
 Kumano Maru, for Japan.

Passenger Arrivals.

Per Haimun, from Coast Ports—Mr. A. S.
 Lee.
 Per Borneo, from Sandakan—Mr. E. E.
 White, and 106 Chinese.
 Per Yarra, from Hongkong front Marseilles—
 Mr. Dupré and infant, and Mrs. Luzu and
 infant. From Singapore—Mr. and Mrs. Yow
 Tuck Seng, Mr. C. J. Arnell, Major Carter,
 Mrs. Caroline, Messrs. Colquhoun and Pala-
 mul. From Saigon—Messrs. Asgaard, Ed.
 Foruni, Mr. and Mrs. L. Brignaudy, Mr. and
 Mrs. Housaye and servant, Mr. E. F. Mercier,
 and 8 Chinese. For Shanghai from Marseilles—
 Mrs. Méliot and infant, Messrs. Clavel,
 Méliot, Portes, Arthur Rozier and R. Maria.
 For Kobe from Colombo—Mr. E. A. Kader.
 From Singapore—Mr. E. Maillee. For Yoko-
 hama from Marseilles—Messrs. Thorne, Jolly
 and Knight. From Colombo—Capt. Carroll,
 Messrs. A. J. Neneomen and Muller.
 Per Meefoo, from Shanghai—Messrs. Mills,
 Chin, and 45 Chinese.

Passenger Departures.

Per Iyo Maru, for Seattle, &c.—Mr. and
 Mrs. B. Mori and child, Dr. Paul Edwards,
 Messrs. R. A. Wood, T. H. Steen and Robt.
 Bano.
 Per Athenian, Vancouver, &c.—Mr. R. P.
 Sharp, Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Miss Watson,
 Messrs. R. Desmaris, E. F. Bateman, C.
 Michelan, Mr. and Mrs. A. Young, Miss L.
 Sherman, Messrs. Felix Bous, James Payne,
 H. M. Ellis and M. Bakker.
 Per Yuensang, for Manila—Messrs. F.
 Cooper, L. V. Bell, J. Reardon, W. M. Carlisle,
 G. T. Brooks, Frederick A. Chosse, James H.
 Welch, A. D. Puenver, M. Steven Ready,
 Robert Beavert, Emil Sprungli, Ernst Isner,
 John Beavert, Chui Pao, Chui Jui, Chui Tui,
 Chui Chong Chan, Chan Ban Gai, Cui Mui,
 Tan Tong and Ah Sio.

Shipping Reports.

Str. Meefoo from Shanghai—Fresh to strong
 monsoon in Formosa Channel.
 Str. Socotra from Antwerp—Heavy N.E.
 monsoon and moderate sea, weather overcast.
 Str. Borneo from Sandakan—In the Sulu
 Sea had lively N.E. winds and moderate sea,
 in China Sea experienced stormy N.E. gale,
 high sea and N. swell, in the N'y part heavy
 squall with rain.
 Str. Haimun from Tamsui—There to Amoy
 heavy sea, strong monsoon, thence to Swatow
 heavy gale, high sea from the N.E., thence to
 port fresh to moderate E.N.E. monsoon, moder-
 ate sea, misty, some rain.

Ships Passed the Canal.

Onward—20th December—Merionethshire,
 Bengloe, Monmouthshire, Chinkua, Konigs-
 berg, Ger., 2nd January—Arletisia, Moynse,
 6th January—Glaucus, Volga, Andalusia, In-
 dramaya, 9th January—Borneo, Bambera,
 13th January—Formosa, Silesia, (Aus.) Fuine,
 Indravadi, Seydlitz, Salford, Linan, 16th
 January—Australia, Eidsvold, Inaba Maru,
 Mennel, 20th January—Sundia, 23rd Janu-
 ary—Ertia, Glenlogan, Agamemnon.

Homeward—13th January—Kawachi Maru,
 16th January—Achilles, Marburg, 23rd Janu-
 ary—Prometheus, Salante, Indrunt.
 Arrivals at Home—2nd January—Saxonia,
 Tivaltus, Freiburg, 6th January—Sydney,
 Sado Maru, 9th January—Brishul, Ning-
 chow, Polyphemus, 13th January—Antenor,
 Kurdistani, Armand Behlt, 16th January—
 Prinz Heinrich, 20th January—Glenziel,
 Seneca, Hyson, Suvvia, 23rd January—Konig
 Albert.

Steamers Expected.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
Rosetta Maru	Manila	T. K. K.	Jan. 28
Moyune	Singapore	B. & S.	" 28
Shawmut	Manila	D. & Co.	" 29
Anhui	Manila	B. & S.	" 29
Chusan	Singapore	P. & O. Co.	" 31
Siberia	Japan	P. M. Co.	Feb. 1
Sachsen	Japan	M. & Co.	Feb. 2
Suisan	Singapore	J. M. & Co.	Feb. 3
Indrapura	Japan	P. & A. Co.	Feb. 3
Seydlitz	Colombo	M. & Co.	Feb. 4
Changsha	Port Darwin	B. & S.	Feb. 5
Tacoma	Victoria	N. P. Co.	Feb. 11
Coptic	San Francisco	O. & O. Co.	Feb. 12

Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Returns.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
H.M.S. Sparrowhawk	at Kowloon Dock		
Paul Beau	"	"	"
Germania	"	"	"
Ellen Rickmers	"	"	"
U.S.A.T. Lisicum	"	"	"
Perla	"	"	"
Kansu	"	"	"
Tartar	"	"	"
H.I.G.M.S. Moewe	"	"	"
H.M.S. Glory	"	"	"
Vigilant	"	"	"
Chihli	"	Cosmopolitan	"
Trios	"	"	"
Mongkut	"	"	"
C. Hazard	"	"	"
Machew	"	"	"
Dorothea Rickmers	"	"	"
Rein	"	Aberdeen	"

Vessels in Port.

Vessels	From	Agents	Due
An Pho, Br. s.s., 902, Kynoch, 21st Jan.,	Saigon 16th Jan., Rice.—B. & Co.		
Charles Hardouin, Fr. s.s., 876, Laurage, 15th	Jan., Nantes 15th Nov., and Singapore		
3rd Jan., Ballast.—M. M.			
Chihli, Br. s.s., 1142, Tuebben, 16th Jan.,	Canton 16th Jan., Gen.—B. & S.		
Claverburn, Br. s.s., 2338, Parker, R.N.R., 27th	Dec., New York 27th Oct., Case Oil—		
S. O. Co.			

Daiya Maru, Jap. s.s., 846, Groves, 26th Jan.,
 Swatow 25th Jan., Gen.—O. S. K.
 Doric, Br. s.s., 4975, Smith, R.N.R., 19th Jan.,
 San Francisco and Shanghai 16th Jan.,
 Mails and Gen.—O. & O. S. Co.
 Dorothea Rickmers, Ger. s.s., 1,001, Schaefer,
 13th Jan., Hongkong 4th Jan., Rice—
 Order.
 Empire, Br. s.s., 4,500, Helms, 24th Jan.,
 Australia 3rd Jan., and Manila 21st Jan.,
 Gen.—G. L. & Co.
 Empress of India, Br. s.s., 3,003, Marshall, 19th
 Jan., Vancouver 28th Dec., and Shanghai
 17th Jan., Mails and Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Haitan, Br. s.s., 1,832, Roach, 26th Jan.,
 Swatow 25th Jan., Gen.—D. L. & Co.
 Indravadi, Br. s.s., 3,361, Craven, 22nd Jan.,
 Portland, Or. 18th Dec., Gen.—P. & A. S.
 S. Co.
 Koun Maru, Jap. s.s., 1,783, Minamikawa, 22d
 Jan., Moji 17th Jan., Coal—Chinese.
 Kwongsang, Br. s.s., 1,427, Lake, 26th Jan.,
 Canton 25th Jan., Gen.—J. M. & Co.
 Lisicum, Am. transport, 1,072, Healey, 16th
 Jan., Manila 13th Jan., Ballast.—U. S.
 Govt.
 Loosok, Ger. s.s., 1,020, Leuss, 21st Jan.,
 Bangkok and Anghin 13th Jan., Rice—
 B. & S.
 Lothian, Br. s.s., 4,950, Williamson, 24th Jan.,
 San Francisco 2nd Dec., Portland 18th,
 and Moji 20th, Flour.—C. C. S. Co.
 Mongkut, Ger. s.s., 859, Gütsche, 21st Jan.,
 Bangkok 13th Jan., Rice.—M. & Co.
 M. Struve, Ger. s.s., 956, Brandt, 25th Jan.,
 Hongay 22nd Jan., Gen.—A. R. M.
 Petrich, Ger. s.s., 1,252, Ahrens, 26th Jan.,
 Moji 19th Jan., Coal—S. W. & Co.
 Pitsanulok, Ger. s.s., 1,268, Fuchs, 24th Jan.,
 Bangkok 15th Jan., Rice and Wood.—B.
 & S.
 Pronto, Norw. s.s., 837, Seeborg, 26th Jan.,
 Haiphong and Hoihow 24th Jan., Rice and
 Figs.—E. A. T. Co.
 Quarta, Ger. s.s., 1,146, Johannsen, 29th Dec.
 Mauritius 4th Dec., Sugar.—S. W. & Co.
 Rein, Norw. s.s., 725, Olsen, 17th Jan.,
 Bangkok 7th Jan., Rice—Kin Tye Long.
 Riverdale, Br. s.s., 2,751, Hay, 25th Jan.,
 New Zealand 18th Jan., and Australia
 22nd, Coal.—Admiralty.
 Tartar, Br. s.s., 4,415, Evans, 16th Dec.,
 Vancouver 16th Nov., and Shanghai 13th
 Dec., Gen.—C. P. R. Co.
 Trios, Ger. s.s., 1,033, Knaef, 15th Jan.,
 Saigon 10th Jan., Gen.—S. & Co.
 Zafiro, Br. s.s., 1,611, Rodger, 25th Jan.,
 Manila 23rd Jan., Gen.—S. T. & Co.

Post Office.

A Mail will close for:
 Canton—Per Honam, 28th Jan., 7.30 A.M.
 Swatow and Bangkok—Per Dorothea
 Rickmers, 28th Jan., 8 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per Haitan,
 28th Jan., 9 A.M.
 Macao—Per Heungshan, 28th Jan., 1.15 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per Woosung, 28th Jan., 3 P.M.
 Manila—Per Kansu, 28th Jan., 3 P.M.
 Shanghai—Per Kwongsang, 28th Jan., 3 P.M.
 Canton—Per Kinsan, 28th Jan., 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Powan, 29th Jan., 7.30 A.M.

Swatow, Singapore and Bangkok—Per Lo-
 sok, 29th Jan., 8 A.M.
 Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui—Per Daiya
 Maru, 29th Jan., 9 A.M.
 Shanghai, Nakhosaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
 Honolulu and San Francisco—Per Diric, 29th
 Jan., 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per Heungshan, 29th Jan., 1.15 P.M.
 Cebu and Sandakan—Per Hunan, 29th Jan.,
 3 P.M.
 Canton—Per Futsan, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
 Moji, Salina, Cruz, Mexico and Portland, Or.
 —Per Lokian, 29th Jan., 5 P.M.
 Canton—Per Kinsan, 30th Jan., 7.30 A.M.
 Manila—Per Zafiro, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
 Manila—Per Shawmut, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
 Moji, Kobe, Yokohama and Portland, Or.
 —Per Indravadi, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
 Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown,
 Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and
 Melbourne—Per Ashui, 30th Jan., 10 A.M.
 Europe, &c., India, via Tancun—Per
 Bengat, 30th Jan., 11 A.M.
 Macao—Per Heungshan, 30th Jan., 1.15 P.M.
 Canton—Per Hankow, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
 Macao—Per Heungshan, 31st Jan., 9 A.M.
 Hoiho—Per Ichang, 1st Feb., 3 P.M.
 Europe, &c., India, via Tancun—Per
 Sackten, 3rd Feb., 11 A.M.
 Manila—Per Rubi, 6th Feb., 9 A.M.
 Yokohama and Kobe—Per Changsha, 9th
 Feb., 3 P.M.
 Shangkai, Nakhosaki, Kobe, Yokohama,
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THE WEATHER.

The following report is from Mr. F. G. Figg,
 acting Director of the Hongkong Obser-
 vatory:
 On the 27th at 11.40 a.m. The barometer has
 risen over E. Japan, fallen elsewhere, par-
 ticularly over China and the Loochoos.
 The anticyclone continues moving East-
 wards, and is now central over SE. Japan.
 Gradients slight to moderate with fresh mon-
 soon in the Formosa Channel, and strong
 monsoon over the China Sea.
 Forecast:—moderate NE. winds; fair.

	Jan. 26 at 10 a.m.	Jan. 26 at 4 p.m.
Barometer	30.36	30.21
Temperature	55	55
Humidity	63	71
Rainfall	—	—

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Bar. Th. Hu. Wind W.	Jan. 27, 1904, a.m.
Vladivostok, 7 a.m.	—
Yemuro, 6 a.m.	30.39 — SW 2
Hakodate, 6 a.m.	30.44 — 0
Tokio, 6 a.m.	30.61 — NW 2
Kochi, 6 a.m.	30.50 — NE 2
Nagasaki, 6 a.m.	30.46 — E 2
Kagoshima, 6 a.m.	30.46 — NE 4
Oshima, 6 a.m.	30.36 — S 2
Naha, 6 a.m.	30.25 — NE 4
Ishigakijima, 6 a.m.	30.17 — E 6
Taihou, 5 a.m.	30.18 — E 2
Taichu, 6 a.m.	30.14 — 0
Tainan, 6 a.m.	30.13 — N 4
Koshun, 6 a.m.	30.11 — NE 4
Pescadores, 6 a.m.	30.17 — NE 8
Weihow, 9 a.m.	30.45 28 — S 3
Gutzlaff, 9 a.m.	30.38 46 100 E 3
Sharp Peak, 9 a.m.	30.25 52 90 NW 2
Amoy, 6.30 a.m.	30.28 55 74 W 1
Swatow, 9 a.m.	30.25 59 — NE 1
Canton, 9 a.m.	63 72 N 1 b
Hongkong, 10 a.m.	30.22 64 50 ESE 1 b
Victoria Peak, 10 a.m.	— E 3
Gap Rock, 10 a.m.	—
Macao, 10 a.m.	30.20 62 — NNE 1 c
Haiphong, 10 a.m.	—
Manila, 10 a.m.	29.96 82 70 W 1 c
Bacolod, 10 a.m.	— NE 5
Iloilo, 10 a.m.	29.89 79 — NNE 3
Cebu, 10 a.m.	29.93 81 — 0
C. St. James, 10 a.m.	—

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 Buck, Hart
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 Cowden, Mrs. A. R.
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 Holmes, C. A.
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 Housell, Mr. and Mrs.
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 Jaffe, D.
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 Brabazon, R. A.
 Brown, Col. L. F.
 Chapman, Mr. & Mrs.
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 Mrs. A. A.
 Cooke, Miss
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THE SHARE MARKET.

STOCKS.	PAID UP VALUE.	LAST DIVIDEND.	TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.
BANKS.			
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation.....	\$ 125	{ Div. of £1.10/- @ 1/8=\$18 for half- year ending 30.6.1903	\$650
National Bank of China, Ltd.....	\$ 8	3/11=\$1.904 for 1902	\$35 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 1	None	\$10
MARINE INSURANCES.			
Union In. Society of Cton, Ltd.....	\$ 100	32 per cent=\$32 per share for 1902	\$490 s.
China Traders' In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	16 1/2%=\$1 for year ended 30.4.1903	\$55 b.
North China In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 5	Final of £1 making £2 for 1902	Tls. 69
Yangtze In. Association, Ltd.....	\$ 60	20%=\$12 for 1901	\$135
Canton In. Office, Ltd.....	\$ 50	30%=\$15 per share for 1902	\$175 s.
FIRE INSURANCES.			
Hongkong Fire In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$22 1/2 per share for 1901	\$300 b.
China Fire In. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 20	\$6 per share for 1901	\$92 1/2
SHIPPING.			
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 15	\$14 for half-year ending 30.6.1903	\$31 b.
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	5%=\$10/- per share for 1902	\$73 b.
China & Manila S.S. Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	10%=\$5 per share for 1900	\$17
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Div. of \$3 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$30 b.
"Star" Ferry Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1.20 = 12% for year ending 30.4.03	\$30
"Shanghai" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.....	\$ 1	3rd Interim of 6d. for 1902	£1 1/- sa.
Taku Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	Interim of 2% for 1903	Tls. 30 s.
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Limited	Tls. 50	Interim of 4% = Tls. 2.00	Tls. 50 sa.
Do. Preference	Tls. 50	Interim of 3 1/4% = Tls. 1.75	Tls. 40 sa.
REFINERIES.			
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. \$ 100		Fin. of \$7 making \$12 for 1903	\$107 b.
Louan Sugar Refining Co., Ltd. \$ 100		\$3 per share for 1897	\$10 s.
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ltd	Tls. 50	5% = Tls. 2 1/2 for year ending 30.9.03	Tls. 52 1/2 s.
MINING.			
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd. \$ 11		None	\$1 s.
Société Française des Char- bonnages du Tonkin	Fr. 250	Interim of Frs. 30 for 1903	\$600 s.
Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.....	£0.18.10.	No. 12 of 1/- per share 28.1.01	\$6 s.
Chinese Engineering & Min- ing Co., Ltd.....	£ 1	No. 2 of 1/- per share 26.10.03	Tls. 6 1/2 s.
DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.			
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	12%=\$6 for 1st year 30.6.03	\$209 b.
S. C. Farnham, Boyd & Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1st year ending 31.10.1903	Tls. 123 b.
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	Interim of \$2 1/2 for 1903	\$95
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.....	\$ 6 1/2	\$2 1/2 for 1902	\$38 s.
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim of Tls. 5 for 1903	Tls. 197 1/2 s.
LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.			
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	8% = 80 cents per share for 1903	\$9
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	Final of \$6 making \$12 for 1903	\$150 ex div.
K'loon Land & Building Co., Ltd	\$ 50	\$2.6 per share for 1903	\$35
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	Final of \$1.70 making \$3.20 for 1903	\$54 1/2 ex div.
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$6 for first 1st year 1903	\$147
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd..... (Shanghai)	\$ 25	2 1/2% for year ending 30.6.03	\$29 sa.
Hotel des Colonies Co., Ltd (Shanghai)	Tls. 25	6% for year ending 31.3.03	Tls. 13 1/2
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	9 per cent. for 1902	\$11 1/2 sa.
Shai Lin and Investment Co., Ltd	Tls. 50	Interim of 6% for 1903	Tls. 109 sa.
COTTON MILLS.			
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	{ Final of 60 cents, making \$1 for } 1902/1903	\$15 1/2 b.
Ewo Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 50	8% for period ended 31.10.1903	Tls. 32 s.
International Cotton Manufac- turing Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 75	Interim of 3% on account of 1898	Tls. 25 b.
Lau-kung-mow Cotton Spinn- ing & Weaving Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 100	Interim div. of 4% on acct. of 1898	Tls. 37 1/2
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 500	4% for period ended 31.12.1897	Tls. 170
CIGAR AND TOBACCO COMPANIES.			
Alhambra, Ltd.....	\$ 500	25% for year ending 30.6.1900	\$200
Philippine Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	First year	\$10 b.
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Co., Ltd.....	Tls. 20	Interim of Tls. 3 per share	Tls. 53 b.
MISCELLANEOUS.			
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	12%=\$1.20 per share for 1902	\$25 b.
China Borneo Co., Ltd.....	\$ 12	First year	\$8 1/2 b.
A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Interim of 5% for 1903	\$14 1/2
Watkins, Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1 per share for 1902	\$7 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	90 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	45 cents for year ending 30.4.1903	\$7
Hongkong & China Gas Co., Ltd	£ 10	10% div. and 1% bonus for 1901	\$140 b.
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	\$10 for 1902	\$145 b.
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	15 per cent.=\$3.75 for 1902	\$50 sa.
Hongkong Ice Co., Ltd.....	\$ 25	Interim of \$4 for 1903	\$240
Hongkong High-Level Tram- ways Co., Ltd.....	\$ 100	\$10 for year ending 31.1.1903	\$300
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.....	\$ 6	\$14 1/2 for year ending 31.7.1903	\$124 b.
Campbell, Moore & Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	Div. of \$2 1/2 for 1902	\$40 s.
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Ltd.....	£0.12.6.	\$5 s.
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.....	\$ 4	90 cents } \$29.70 } for year ending 31.5.03 ...	\$9 1/2 b. \$210 b.
Do. Founders.....	\$ 4
Hongkong Steam Water-boat Co., Ltd.....	\$ 10	Final of 6% making 12% for year ...	\$15 1/2 b.
China Light & Power Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	None	\$5 b.
William Powell, Ltd.....	\$ 10	\$1 for year ended 30.6.1903	\$940 b.
Maatschappij tot Miljn, Bosch- en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat, Limited	Guilders 100	{ 5th interim dividend of Tls. 7 1/2 paid } 15.12.1903 making so far Tls. 35 } for the year ending 31.10.03	Tls. 295 sa
Shanghai & Hongkong Dyeing and Cleaning Co., Ltd.....	\$ 50	First year	\$50
South China Moring Post, Ltd.	\$ 25	First year	\$25
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